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High School Track & Field Coach Charged with Child Abuse

A 51-year-old man has been charged with reaching out to a teen girl for sexual purposes over two months, the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office announced.

Danny Lee Harris (dob 9/7/65) of Pasadena has been charged with six counts in case GA101246: two counts each of contact with minor for sexual offense, child abuse and child annoyance.

The defendant is scheduled to be arraigned this afternoon in Department T of the Los Angeles County Superior Court, Alhambra Branch. Prosecutors are asking that bail be set at \$200,000.

Between April and May 2017, Harris, a track and field coach at Gabrielino High School in San Gabriel, allegedly sent inappropriate messages to an underage female student.

A relative of the victim reportedly discovered the messages and alerted authorities, prosecutors said.

On June 2, Harris was arrested in connection with the crimes and charged four days later.

If convicted as charged, the defendant faces a maximum possible sentence of seven years in state prison.

The case is being investigated by the San Gabriel Police Department.

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